entirety as follows: "B. Number. The number of directors, their terms and their manner of election shall be fixed by or pursuant to the By-Laws of the Corporation."; (iv) Article Ninth of the Charter shall be deleted in its entirety and shall read as follows: "NINTH. Reserved." and (v) Article Tenth of the Charter shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows: "TENTH. The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in any manner now or hereafter permitted or prescribed by statute."

2.2. <u>The By-Laws</u>. The by-laws of Merger Sub in effect at the Effective Time shall be the by-laws of the Surviving Corporation (the "<u>By-Laws</u>"), until thereafter amended as provided therein or by applicable law.

ARTICLE III

Officers and Directors

- 3.1. Directors of Surviving Corporation. The directors of Merger Sub at the Effective Time shall, from and after the Effective Time, be the directors of the Surviving Corporation until their successors have been duly elected or appointed and qualified or until their earlier death, resignation or removal in accordance with the Charter and the By-Laws.
- 3.2. Officers of Surviving Corporation. The officers of the Company at the Effective Time shall, from and after the Effective Time, be the officers of the Surviving Corporation until their successors have been duly elected or appointed and qualified or until their earlier death, resignation or removal in accordance with the Charter and the By-Laws.
- 3.3. Election to SBC's Board of Directors. At the Effective Time of the Merger, SBC shall increase the size of its Board of Directors in order to enable up to five members of the Board of Directors of the Company to be members of the SBC Board of Directors, which persons shall be selected by the SBC Board of Directors in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Director Designees"), and the SBC Board of Directors shall appoint each of the Director Designees to the SBC Board of Directors as of the Effective Time, with such Director Designees to be divided as nearly evenly as is possible among the classes of directors of SBC.

ARTICLE IV

Effect of the Merger on Capital Stock; <u>Exchange of Certificates</u>

- 4.1. <u>Effect on Capital Stock</u>. At the Effective Time, as a result of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder of any capital stock of the Company:
- Merger_Consideration. Each share of Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share, of the Company (each a "Company Share" and together the "Company Shares") issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (other than Company Shares that are owned by SBC, Merger Sub or any other direct or indirect subsidiary of SBC (collectively, the "SBC Companies") or Company Shares that are owned by the Company or any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company and in each case not held on behalf of third parties (collectively, "Excluded Company Shares")) shall be converted into and become exchangeable for 1.316 (the "Exchange Ratio") shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share, of SBC ("SBC Common Stock"), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 4.4 (the "Merger Consideration"). All references in this Agreement to SBC Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger shall be deemed to include the corresponding rights ("SBC Rights") to purchase shares of SBC Participating Preferred Stock pursuant to the SBC Rights Agreement (as defined in Section 5.1(b)(ii)), except where the context otherwise requires. At the Effective Time, all Company Shares shall no longer be outstanding, shall be cancelled and retired and shall cease to exist, and (A) each certificate(a "Certificate") formerly representing any of such Company Shares (other than Excluded Company Shares) and (B) each uncertificated Company Share a "Registered Company Share") registered to a holder on the stock transaction books of the Company (other than Excluded Company Shares), shall thereafter represent only the right to the Merger Consideration and the right, if any, to receive pursuant to Section 4.2(d) cash in lieu of fractional shares into which such Company Shares have been converted pursuant to this Section 4.1(a) and any distribution or dividend pursuant to Section 4.2(b), in each case without interest.
- (b) <u>Cancellation of Shares</u>. Each Excluded Company Share issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, by virtue of the Merger and without any action on the part of the holder thereof, no longer be outstanding, shall be cancelled and retired without payment of any consideration therefor and shall cease to exist.

(c) <u>Merger Sub</u>. At the Effective Time, each share of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share, of Merger Sub issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall be converted into one share of common stock of the Surviving Corporation, and the Surviving Corporation shall be a wholly-owned subsidiary of SBC.

4.2. Exchange of Certificates for Shares.

Exchange Procedures. Promptly after the Effective Time, the Surviving Corporation shall cause an exchange agent selected by SBC with the Company's prior approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld (the "Exchange Agent") to mail to each holder of record as of the Effective Time of a Certificate or Registered Company Shares, as the case may be, (other than holders of a Certificate or Registered Company Shares in respect of Excluded Company Shares) (i) (x) in the case of holders of Certificates, a letter of transmittal specifying that delivery shall be effected, and that risk of loss and title to the Certificates shall pass, only upon delivery of the Certificates (or affidavits of loss in lieu thereof) to the Exchange Agent (the "Certificate Letter of Transmittal") or (y) in the case of holders of Registered Company Shares, a letter of transmittal specifying that the exchange for SBC Shares shall occur only upon delivery of such letter of transmittal to the Exchange Agent (the "Registered Letter of Transmittal"), each such letter of transmittal to be in such form and have such other provisions as SBC and the Company may reasonably agree, and (ii) instructions for exchanging Certificates or Registered Company Shares for (A) uncertificated shares of SBC Common Stock registered on the stock transfer books of SBC in the name of such holder ("Registered SBC Shares") or, at the election of such holder, certificates representing shares of SBC Common Stock and (B) any unpaid dividends and other distributions and cash in lieu of fractional shares. Subject to Section 4.2(g), upon (I) surrender of a Certificate for cancellation to the Exchange Agent together with a Certificate Letter of Transmittal, duly executed, the holder of such Certificate or (II) upon delivery of a Registered Letter of Transmittal, duly executed, the holder of such Registered Company Shares, as the case may be, shall be entitled to receive in exchange therefor (x) Registered SBC Shares or, at the election of such holder, a certificate representing that number of whole shares of SBC Common Stock that such holder is entitled to receive pursuant to this Article IV, (y) a check in the amount (after giving effect to any required tax withholdings) of (A) any cash in lieu of fractional shares determined in accordance with Section 4.2(d) hereof plus (B) any cash dividends and any other dividends or other

distributions that such holder has the right to receive pursuant to the provisions of this Article IV, and any Certificate so surrendered and any Registered Company Share in respect of which a Registered Letter of Transmittal is so delivered shall forthwith be cancelled. No interest will be paid or accrued on any amount payable upon due surrender of any Certificate or delivery of a duly executed Registered Letter of Transmittal, as the case may be. In the event of a transfer of ownership of Company Shares that is not registered in the transfer records of the Company, Registered SBC Shares or a certificate representing the proper number of shares of SBC Common Stock, as the case may be, together with a check for any cash to be paid upon due surrender of the Certificate or upon the delivery to the Exchange Agent of the duly executed Registered Letter of Transmittal and any other dividends or distributions in respect thereof, may be issued and/or paid to such a transferee if, in the case of holders of Certificates, the Certificate formerly representing such Company Shares is presented to the Exchange Agent, and, in the case of holders of Registered Company Shares, if the Registered Letter of Transmittal is delivered to the Exchange Agent in either case accompanied by all documents required to evidence and effect such transfer and to evidence that any applicable stock transfer taxes have been paid. If any Registered SBC Shares or any certificate for shares of SBC Common Stock is to be issued in a name other than that in which the Certificate surrendered in exchange therefor or the Registered Company Shares exchanged therefor, as the case may be, is registered, it shall be a condition of such exchange that the Person (as defined below) requesting such exchange shall pay any transfer or other taxes required by reason of the issuance of Registered SBC Shares or a certificate for shares of SBC Common Stock in a name other than that of the registered holder of the Certificate surrendered or the Registered Company Shares exchanged, as the case may be, or shall establish to the satisfaction of SBC or the Exchange Agent that such tax has been paid or is not applicable.

For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "Person" shall mean any individual, corporation (including not-for-profit), general or limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization, Governmental Entity (as defined in Section 5.1(d)(i)) or other entity of any kind or nature.

(b) <u>Distributions with Respect to Unexchanged Shares: Voting.</u>

- Whenever a dividend or other (i) distribution is declared by SBC in respect of SBC Common Stock, the record date for which is at or after the Effective Time, that declaration shall include dividends or other distributions in respect of all shares of SBC Common Stock issuable pursuant to this Agreement. No dividends or other distributions in respect of such SBC Common Stock shall be paid to any holder of any unsurrendered Certificate or Registered Company Shares for which a Registered Letter of Transmittal shall not have been delivered, until such Certificate is surrendered for exchange or such Registered Letter of Transmittal is delivered, as the case may be, in accordance with this Article IV. Subject to the effect of applicable laws, following surrender of any such Certificate or delivery of any such Registered Letter of Transmittal, as the case may be, there shall be issued and/or paid to the holder of the Registered SBC Shares or the certificates representing whole shares of SBC Common Stock, as the case may be, issued in exchange therefor, without interest, (A) at the time of such surrender or delivery, as the case my be, the dividends or other distributions with a record date after the Effective Time and a payment date on or prior to the date of issuance of such whole shares of SBC Common Stock and not previously paid and (B) at the appropriate payment date, the dividends or other distributions payable with respect to such whole shares of SBC Common Stock with a record date after the Effective Time but with a payment date subsequent to surrender or delivery, as the case may be. For purposes of dividends or other distributions in respect of shares of SBC Common Stock, all shares of SBC Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger shall be deemed issued and outstanding as of the Effective Time.
- (ii) Registered holders of unsurrendered Certificates or Registered Company Shares for which a duly executed Registered Letter of Transmittal shall not have been delivered shall be entitled to vote after the Effective Time at any meeting of SBC stockholders with a record date at or after the Effective Time the number of whole shares of SBC Common Stock represented by such Certificates or Registered Company Shares, as the case may be, regardless of whether such holders have surrendered their Certificates or delivered duly executed Registered Letters of Transmittal, as the case may be.
- (c) <u>Transfers</u>. After the Effective Time, there shall be no transfers on the stock transfer books of the Company of the Company Shares that were outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time.

- any other provision of this Agreement, no fractional shares of SBC Common Stock will be issued and any holder of Company Shares entitled to receive a fractional share of SBC Common Stock but for this Section 4.2(d) shall be entitled to receive an amount in cash (without interest) determined by multiplying such fraction (rounded to the nearest one-hundredth of a share) by the average of the closing price of a share of SBC Common Stock, as reported in The Wall Street Journal, New York City edition, on the trading day immediately prior to the Effective Time.
- Termination of Exchange Period; Unclaimed Stock. Any shares of SBC Common Stock and any portion of the cash, dividends or other distributions with respect to the SBC Common Stock deposited by SBC with the Exchange Agent (including the proceeds of any investments thereof) that remain unclaimed by the stockholders of the Company 180 days after the Effective Time shall be paid to SBC. Any stockholders of the Company who have not theretofore complied with this Article IV shall thereafter look only to SBC for payment of their shares of SBC Common Stock and any cash, dividends and other distributions in respect thereof issuable and/or payable pursuant to Section 4.1, Section 4.2(b) and Section 4.2(d) upon due (i) surrender of (i) their Certificates (or affidavits of loss in lieu thereof) or (ii) delivery of duly executed Registered Letters of Transmittal, as the case may be, in each case with respect to both clause (i) and (ii), without any interest thereon. Notwithstanding the foregoing, none of SBC, the Surviving Corporation, the Exchange Agent or any other Person shall be liable to any former holder of Company Shares for any amount properly delivered to a public official pursuant to applicable abandoned property, escheat or similar laws.
- Certificates. In the event any Certificate shall have been lost, stolen or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the Person claiming such Certificate to be lost, stolen or destroyed and the posting by such Person of a bond in the form customarily required by SBC as indemnity against any claim that may be made against it with respect to such Certificate, SBC will issue the shares of SBC Common Stock and the Exchange Agent will issue any cash, dividends and other distributions in respect thereof issuable and/or payable in exchange for such lost, stolen or destroyed Certificate pursuant to Section 4.1, Section 4.2(b) and Section 4.2(d) upon due surrender of and deliverable in respect of the Company Shares represented by such

Certificate pursuant to this Agreement, in each case, without interest.

- anything herein to the contrary, Certificates surrendered for exchange, or Registered Company Shares to be exchanged pursuant to a Registered Letter of Transmittal delivered, by any "affiliate" (as determined pursuant to Section 6.7) of the Company shall not be exchanged until SBC has received a written agreement from such Person as provided in Section 6.7 hereof.
- 4.3. <u>Dissenters' Rights</u>. In accordance with Section 262 of the DGCL, no appraisal rights shall be available to holders of Company Shares in connection with the Merger.
- 4.4. Adjustments to Prevent Dilution. In the event that prior to the Effective Time there is a change in the number of Company Shares or shares of SBC Common Stock or securities convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for Company Shares or shares of SBC Common Stock issued and outstanding as a result of a distribution, reclassification, stock split (including a reverse split), stock dividend or distribution, or other similar transaction, the Exchange Ratio shall be equitably adjusted to eliminate the effects of such event.

ARTICLE V

Representations and Warranties

5.1. Representations and Warranties of the Company, SBC and Merger Sub. Except as set forth in the corresponding sections or subsections of the disclosure letter, dated the date hereof, delivered by the Company to SBC or by SBC to the Company (each a "Disclosure Letter", and the "Company Disclosure Letter" and the "SBC Disclosure Letter", respectively), as the case may be, the Company (except for subparagraphs (b)(ii), (b)(iii), (c)(ii) and (p)(ii) below and references in subparagraphs (a) and (e) below to documents made available by SBC to the Company) hereby represents and warrants to SBC and Merger Sub, and SBC (except for subparagraphs (b)(i), (c)(i), (d)(iii), the last sentence of (f), (j), (o) and (p)(i) below and references in subparagraphs (a), (e) and (h)(i) below to documents made available by the Company to SBC), on behalf of itself and Merger Sub, hereby represents and warrants to the Company, that:

Organization, Good Standing and (a) Each of it and its Subsidiaries is a Oualification. corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its respective jurisdiction of organization and has all requisite corporate or similar power and authority to own and operate its properties and assets and to carry on its business as presently conducted and is qualified to do business and is in good standing as a foreign corporation in each jurisdiction where the ownership or operation of its properties or conduct of its business requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing is not, when taken together with all other such failures, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect (as defined below) on it. made available to SBC, in the case of the Company, and to the Company, in the case of SBC, a complete and correct copy of its certificate of incorporation and by-laws, each as amended to date. Such certificates of incorporation and by-laws as so made available are in full force and effect.

As used in this Agreement, (i) the term "Subsidiary" means, with respect to the Company, SBC or Merger Sub, as the case may be, any entity, whether incorporated or unincorporated, of which at least fifty percent of the securities or ownership interests having by their terms ordinary voting power to elect at least fifty percent of the Board of Directors or other persons performing similar functions is directly or indirectly owned by such party or by one or more of its respective Subsidiaries or by such party and any one or more of its respective Subsidiaries, (ii) the term "Material Adverse Effect" means, with respect to either SBC or the Company, as the case may be, a material adverse effect, it being understood that materiality shall be determined by reference to the trading market equity value of such Person prior to the consummation of the Merger, other than effects resulting from the execution of this Agreement or the announcement thereof or changes in (I) the telecommunications industry generally, (II) the national economy generally or (A) with respect to SBC only, the economy of Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Nevada and California, taken together, generally, or of France, Mexico and/or the Republic of South Africa or (B) with respect to the Company only, the economies of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin, taken together, generally, or of Belgium, Denmark and/or Hungary or (III) the securities markets generally, and (iii) reference to "the other party" means, with respect to the Company, SBC and means, with respect to SBC, the Company.

Capital Structure. (i) The authorized capital stock of the Company consists of 2,400,000,000 Company Shares, of which 1,100,161,364 Company Shares were issued and outstanding and 76,993,242 Company Shares were held in treasury as of the close of business on April 30, 1998, 30,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the "Company Preferred Shares"), none of which were outstanding as of the close of business on May 8, 1998 and 30,000,000 shares of Preference Stock, \$1.00 par value per share, (the "Company Preference Shares"), none of which were outstanding as of the close of business on May 8, 1998. All of the outstanding Company Shares have been duly authorized and are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. Other than 12,000,000 Company Preference Shares, designated "Series A Junior Participating Preference Stock", reserved for issuance pursuant to the Rights Agreement, dated as of December 21, 1988, between the Company and American Transtech Inc., as Rights Agent (the "Rights Agreement"), and Company Shares subject to issuance as set forth below, the Company has no Company Shares, Company Preferred Shares or Company Preference Shares reserved for or otherwise subject to issuance. May 10, 1998, there were not more than 47,000,000 Company Shares that the Company was obligated to issue pursuant to the Company Compensation and Benefit Plans identified in Section 5.1(h) of the Company Disclosure Letter as being the only Company Compensation and Benefit Plans pursuant to which Company Shares may be issued (collectively the "Company Stock Plans"). Each of the outstanding shares of capital stock or other securities of each of the Company's Subsidiaries that constitute a "Significant Subsidiary" (as defined in Rule 1.02(w) of Regulation S-X promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), is duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and owned by the Company or a direct or indirect wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Company, free and clear of any lien, pledge, security interest, claim or other encumbrance. Except as set forth above and for Company Shares and options to purchase Company Shares which may be issued in accordance with Section 6.1(a), there are no preemptive or other outstanding rights, options, warrants, conversion rights, stock appreciation rights, redemption rights, repurchase rights, agreements, arrangements or commitments to issue or sell any shares of capital stock or other securities of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any securities or obligations convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for, or giving any Person a right to subscribe for or acquire, any securities of the Company or any of its Significant Subsidiaries, and no securities or obligations evidencing such rights are authorized, issued or

outstanding. The Company does not have outstanding any bonds, debentures, notes or other obligations the holders of which have the right to vote (or convertible into or exercisable for securities having the right to vote) with the stockholders of the Company on any matter.

(ii) The authorized capital stock of SBC consists of 7,000,000,000 shares of SBC Common Stock, of which 1,838,844,294 shares were issued and outstanding and 26,060,210 shares were held in treasury as of the close of business on April 30, 1998, and 10,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (the "SBC Preferred Shares"), none of which shares were outstanding as of the close of business on May 8, 1998. All of the outstanding shares of SBC Common Stock have been duly authorized and are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. SBC has no shares of SBC Common Stock or SBC Preferred Shares reserved for or subject to issuance except that SBC has reserved no more than 10,000,000 SBC Preferred Shares for or subject to issuance pursuant to the Rights Agreement, dated as of January 27, 1989, between SBC and American Transtech, Inc., as Rights Agent, as amended by the Amendment of Rights Agreement, dated as of August 5, 1992, between SBC and The Bank of New York, as successor Rights Agent, and the Second Amendment of Rights Agreement, dated as of June 15, 1994, between SBC and The Bank of New York, as successor Rights Agent (as amended, the "SBC Rights Agreement"). As of May 10, 1998, there were not more than 92,000,000 shares of SBC Common Stock that SBC was obligated to issue pursuant to (x) SBC's Senior Management Long Term Incentive Plan, Senior Management Incentive Award Deferral Plan, Non-Employee Directors Stock and Deferral Plan, Stock Savings Plan, 1994 Stock Option Plan, 1996 Stock and Incentive Plan, 1995 Management Stock Option Plan, Savings Plan and the Savings and Security Plan and (y) Pacific Telesis Group's Supplemental Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried Employees, Supplemental Retirement and Savings Plan for Non-Salaried Employees, Supplemental Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried and Non-Salaried Employees, Employee Stock Ownership Plan, Stock Option and Stock Appreciation Rights Plan, Outside Directors Deferred Stock Unit Plan and Restricted Stock Plan (collectively, the "SBC <u>Stock Plans</u>"). Each of the outstanding shares of capital stock of each of SBC's Significant Subsidiaries is duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and owned by SBC or a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of SBC, free and clear of any lien, pledge, security interest, claim or other encumbrance. Except as set forth above, there are no preemptive or other outstanding rights, options, warrants, conversion rights, stock appreciation rights, redemption rights, repurchase rights, agreements,

arrangements or commitments to issue or to sell any shares of capital stock or other securities of SBC or any of its Significant Subsidiaries or any securities or obligations convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for, or giving any Person a right to subscribe for or acquire, any securities of SBC or any of its Significant Subsidiaries, and no securities or obligation evidencing such rights are authorized, issued or outstanding. SBC does not have outstanding any bonds, debentures, notes or other obligations the holders of which have the right to vote (or convertible into or exercisable for securities having the right to vote) with the stockholders of SBC on any matter.

The authorized capital stock (iii) of Merger Sub consists of 1,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share, all of which are validly issued and outstanding. All of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Merger Sub is, and at the Effective Time will be, owned by SBC, and there are (i) no other shares of capital stock or other voting securities of Merger Sub, (ii) no securities of Merger Sub convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock or other voting securities of Merger Sub and (iii) no options or other rights to acquire from Merger Sub, and no obligations of Merger Sub to issue, any capital stock, other voting securities or securities convertible into or exchangeable for capital stock or other voting securities of Merger Sub. Merger Sub has not conducted any business prior to the date hereof and has no, and prior to the Effective Time will have no, assets, liabilities or obligations of any nature other than those incident to its formation and pursuant to this Agreement and the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Corporate Authority; Approval and Fairness. (i) The Company has all requisite corporate power and authority and has taken all corporate action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to consummate, subject only to adoption of this Agreement by the holders of a majority of the outstanding Company Shares (the "Company Requisite Vote") and the Company Required Consents (as defined in Section 5.1(d)), the Merger. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Company and is a valid and binding agreement of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles (the "Bankruptcy and Equity Exception"). The Board of Directors of the Company (A) has unanimously approved this

Agreement and the Merger and the other transactions contemplated hereby and (B) has received the opinion of its financial advisors, Goldman, Sachs & Co., in a customary form and to the effect that the Merger Consideration to be received by the holders of the Company Shares in the Merger is fair to such holders from a financial point of view.

(ii) SBC and Merger Sub each has all requisite corporate power and authority and each has taken all corporate action necessary in order to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to consummate, subject only to the approval by the stockholders of SBC by a majority of votes cast on the proposal to issue the shares of SBC Common Stock required to be issued pursuant to Article IV; provided, that the total vote cast represents over 50% of all of the outstanding shares of SBC Common Stock (the "SBC Requisite Vote") and the SBC Required Consents (as defined in Section 5.1(d)), the Merger. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by SBC and Merger Sub and is a valid and binding agreement of SBC and Merger Sub, enforceable against each of SBC and Merger Sub in accordance with its terms, subject to the Bankruptcy and Equity Exception. SBC has received the opinion of its financial advisors, Salomon Brothers Inc and Smith Barney Inc., in a customary form and to the effect that the Exchange Ratio is fair to SBC from a financial point of view. The shares of SBC Common Stock, when issued pursuant to this Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable, and no stockholder of SBC will have any preemptive right of subscription or purchase in respect thereof.

(d) Governmental Filings: No (i) Other than the necessary filings, notices Violations. and/or approvals (A) pursuant to Section 1.3, (B) under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended (the "HSR Act"), the Exchange Act and the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), (C) to comply with state securities or "blue-sky" laws, (D) if any, of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, (E) if any, of the local, state and foreign public utility commissions or similar local, state or foreign regulatory bodies (each a "PUC") and the local, state and foreign Governmental Entities (as defined below) identified in its respective Disclosure Letter pursuant to applicable local, state or foreign laws regulating the telephone, mobile cellular, paging, cable television or other telecommunications business ("Utilities Laws") and (F) if any, of the foreign regulatory bodies identified in its Disclosure Letter pursuant to applicable foreign laws

regulating actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade (such filings, notices and/or approvals of SBC being the "SBC Required Consents" and of the Company being the "Company Required Consents"), no filings, notices and/or reports are required to be made by it with, nor are any consents, registrations, approvals, permits or authorizations required to be obtained by it from, any governmental or regulatory authority, court, agency, commission, body or other governmental entity ("Governmental Entity"), in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement by it and the consummation by it of the Merger and the other transactions contemplated hereby, except those that the failure to make or obtain are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

The execution, delivery and (ii) performance of this Agreement by it do not, and the consummation by it of the Merger and the other transactions contemplated hereby will not, constitute or result in (A) a breach or violation of, or a default under, its certificate of incorporation or by-laws or the comparable governing instruments of any of its Significant Subsidiaries, (B) a breach or violation of, or a default under, the acceleration of any obligations or the creation of a lien, pledge, security interest or other encumbrance on its assets or the assets of any of its Subsidiaries (with or without notice, lapse of time or both) pursuant to, any agreement, lease, contract, note, mortgage, indenture, arrangement or other obligation ("Contracts") binding upon it or any of its Subsidiaries or, assuming the filings, notices and/or approvals referred to in Section 5.1(d)(i) are made or obtained, any Law (as defined in Section 5.1(i)) or governmental or non-governmental permit or license to which it or any of its Subsidiaries is subject or (C) any change in the rights or obligations of any party under any of its Contracts, except, in the case of clause (B) or (C) above, for any breach, violation, default, acceleration, creation or change that, individually or in the aggregate, is not reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. The Company Disclosure Letter, with respect to the Company, and the SBC Disclosure Letter, with respect to SBC, sets forth a correct and complete list of Contracts of it and its Subsidiaries pursuant to which consents or waivers are or may be required prior to consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement other than those where the failure to obtain such consents or waivers is not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Reports: Financial Statements. has made available to the other party, each registration statement, report, proxy statement or information statement prepared by it since December 31, 1997 (the "Audit Date"), including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 in the form (including exhibits, annexes and any amendments thereto) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (collectively, including any such reports filed subsequent to the date hereof, its "Reports"). As of their respective dates, its Reports did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading. Each of the consolidated balance sheets included in or incorporated by reference into its Reports (including the related notes and schedules) fairly presents the consolidated financial position of it and its Subsidiaries as of its date and each of the consolidated statements of income and of cash flows included in or incorporated by reference into its Reports (including any related notes and schedules) fairly presents the consolidated results of operations, retained earnings and cash flows, as the case may be, of it and its Subsidiaries for the periods set forth therein (subject, in the case of unaudited statements, to notes and normal year-end audit adjustments that will not be material in amount or effect), in each case in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") consistently applied during the periods involved, except as may be noted therein. Since the Audit Date, it and each Subsidiary required to make filings under Utilities Laws has filed with the applicable PUCs or the FCC, as the case may be, all material forms, statements, reports and documents (including exhibits, annexes and any amendments thereto) required to be filed by them, and each such filing complied in all material respects with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, other than such failures to file and non-compliance that are, individually or in the aggregate, not reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. knowledge, as of the date hereof, no Person or "group" "beneficially owns" 5% or more of its outstanding voting securities, with the terms "beneficially owns" and "group" having the meanings ascribed to them under Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act.

- Absence of Certain Changes. Except (f) as disclosed in its Reports filed prior to the date hereof or as expressly contemplated or permitted by this Agreement, since the Audit Date it and its Subsidiaries have conducted their respective businesses only in, and have not engaged in any material transaction other than according to, the ordinary and usual course of such businesses and there has not been (i) any change in the financial condition, properties, prospects, business or results of operations of it and its Subsidiaries, except those changes that are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it; (ii) any damage, destruction or other casualty loss with respect to any asset or property owned, leased or otherwise used by it or any of its Subsidiaries, whether or not covered by insurance, which damage, destruction or loss is reasonably likely, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect on it; (iii) any declaration, setting aside or payment of any dividend or other distribution in respect of its capital stock, except publicly announced regular quarterly cash dividends on its common stock and, in the case of SBC, any dividends in capital stock of SBC which are simultaneously taken into account in an adjustment to the Exchange Ratio pursuant to Section 4.4; or (iv) any change by it in accounting principles, practices or methods, except as required by GAAP. Since the Audit Date, except as provided for herein, in the Company Disclosure Letter, as disclosed in the Reports filed by the Company prior to the date hereof or permitted hereby, there has not been any increase in the salary, wage, bonus or other compensation payable or that could become payable by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to directors, officers or key employees or any amendment of any of the Company Compensation and Benefit Plans (as defined in Section 5.1(h)(i)) other than increases or amendments in the ordinary course.
- (q) Litigation and Liabilities. Except as disclosed in its Reports filed prior to the date hereof, there are no (i) civil, criminal or administrative actions, suits, claims, hearings, investigations or proceedings pending or, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers, threatened in writing against it or any of its Affiliates (as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act) or (ii) obligations or liabilities, whether or not accrued, contingent or otherwise and whether or not required to be disclosed, including those relating to matters involving any Environmental Law (as defined in Section 5.1(k)), or any other facts or circum stances, in either such case, of which its executive officers have actual knowledge that are reasonably likely to result in any claims against or obligations or liabilities of it or any of its Affiliates,

except for those that are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that for purposes of this subsection (g) no action, suit, claim, hearing, investigation or proceeding arising after the date hereof shall be deemed to have any adverse effect if and to the extent such actions, suits, claims, hearings, investigations or proceedings are based on this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

(h) <u>Employee Benefits</u>.

(i) A copy of each bonus, deferred compensation, pension, retirement, profit-sharing, thrift, savings, employee stock ownership, stock bonus, stock purchase, restricted stock, stock option, employment, termination, severance, compensation, medical, health or other plan, agreement, policy or arrangement that covers employees, directors, former employees or former directors of the Company and its Subsidiaries (the "Company Compensation and Benefit Plans") and any trust agreements or insurance contracts forming a part of such Company Compensation and Benefit Plans has been made available by the Company to SBC prior to the date hereof and each such Company Compensation and Benefit Plan is listed in Section 5.1(h) of the Company Disclosure Letter.

(ii) In the case of the Company, each of the Company Compensation and Benefit Plans or, in the case of SBC, each bonus, deferred compensation, pension, retirement, profit-sharing, thrift, savings, employee stock ownership, stock bonus, stock purchase, restricted stock, stock option, employment, termination, severance, compensation, medical, health or other plan, agreement, policy or arrangement that covers employees, directors, former employees or former directors of SBC and SBC's Subsidiaries (together with the Company Compensation and Benefit Plans, its "Compensation and Benefit Plans") is in substantial compliance with all applicable law, including the Code and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"). Each of its Compensation and Benefit Plans that is an "employee pension benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA (a "Pension <u>Plan</u>") and that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to "TRA" (as such term is defined in Section 1 of Rev. Proc 93-39), and it is not aware of any circumstances likely to result in revocation of any such favorable

determination letter. There is no pending or, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers, threatened in writing material litigation relating to its Compensation and Benefit Plans. Neither it nor any Subsidiary has engaged in a transaction with respect to any of its Compensation and Benefit Plans that, assuming the taxable period of such transaction expired as of the date hereof, would subject it or any of its Subsidiaries to a material tax or penalty imposed by either Section 4975 of the Code or Section 502 of ERISA.

As of the date hereof, no (iii) liability under Subtitle C or D of Title IV of ERISA (other than the payment of prospective premium amounts to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation in the normal course) has been or is expected to be incurred by it or any Subsidiary with respect to any ongoing, frozen or terminated "single-employer plan", within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(15) of ERISA, currently or formerly maintained by any of them, or the single-employer plan of any entity which is considered one employer with it under Section 4001 of ERISA or Section 414 of the Code (its "ERISA Affiliate") (each such single-employer plan, its "ERISA Affiliate Plan"). It and its Subsidiaries and ERISA Affiliates have not contributed, or been obligated to contribute, to a multiemployer plan under Subtitle E of Title IV of ERISA at any time since September 26, 1980. No notice of a "reportable event", within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA for which the 30-day reporting requirement has not been waived, has been required to be filed for any of its Pension Plans or any of its ERISA Affiliate Plans within the 12-month period ending on the date hereof or will be required to be filed in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(iv) All contributions required to be made under the terms of any of its Compensation and Benefit Plans as of the date hereof have been timely made or have been reflected on the most recent consolidated balance sheet filed or incorporated by reference in its Reports prior to the date hereof. Neither any of its Pension Plans nor any of any of its ERISA Affiliate Plans has an "accumulated funding deficiency" (whether or not waived) within the meaning of Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA. Neither it nor its Subsidiaries has provided, or is required to provide, security to any of its Pension Plans or to any of its ERISA Affiliate Plans pursuant to Section 401(a)(29) of the Code.

(v) Under each of its Pension Plans which is a single-employer plan and each of its ERISA

Affiliate Plans, as of the last day of the most recent plan year ended prior to the date hereof, the actuarially determined present value of all "benefit liabilities", within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(16) of ERISA (as determined on the basis of the actuarial assumptions contained in such Pension Plan's or ERISA Affiliate Plan's most recent actuarial valuation), did not exceed the then current value of the assets of such Pension Plan or ERISA Affiliate Plan, and there has been no material change in the financial condition of such Pension Plan or ERISA Affiliate Plan since the last day of the most recent plan year.

(vi) Neither it nor its
Subsidiaries have any obligations for retiree health and
life benefits under any of its Compensation and Benefit
Plans, except as set forth in its Reports filed prior to the
date hereof or as required by applicable law.

None of the consummation of (vii) the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, in the case of SBC and the Company, the adoption of this Agreement by the stockholders of the Company, in the case of the Company, the approval by the stockholders of SBC of the issuance of the shares of SBC Common Stock required to be issued pursuant to Article IV, in the case of SBC, shall (x) entitle any of their respective employees or directors or any employees of their respective Subsidiaries to severance pay, directly or indirectly, upon termination of employment, (y) accelerate the time of funding (whether through a grantor trust or otherwise), payment or vesting or trigger any payment of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or trigger any other material obligation pursuant to, any of their respective Compensation and Benefit Plans or (z) result in any breach or violation of, or a default under, any of their respective Compensation and Benefit Plans.

(i) Compliance with Laws. Except as set forth in its Reports filed prior to the date hereof, the businesses of each of it and its Subsidiaries have not been, and are not being, conducted in violation of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, judgment, order, decree, injunction, arbitration award, license, authorization, opinion, agency requirement or permit of any Governmental Entity or common law (collectively, "Laws"), except for violations or possible violations that are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Except as set forth in its Reports filed prior to the date hereof, no investigation or

review by any Governmental Entity with respect to it or any of its Subsidiaries is pending or, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers, threatened, nor has any Governmental Entity indicated an intention to conduct the same, except for those the outcome of which are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. To the actual knowledge of its executive officers, no material change is required in its or any of its Subsidiaries' processes, properties or procedures in connection with any such Laws, and it has not received any notice or communication of any material noncompliance with any such Laws that has not been cured as of the date hereof, except for such changes and noncompliance that are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Each of it and its Subsidiaries has all permits, licenses, franchises, variances, exemptions, orders and other governmental authorizations, consents and approvals (collectively, "Permits"), necessary to conduct their business as presently conducted, except for those the absence of which are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it or prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Takeover Statutes. The Board of Directors of the Company has taken all appropriate and necessary actions such that SBC will not be prohibited from entering into a "business combination" with the Company as an "interested stockholder" (in each case as such term is used in Section 203 of the DGCL) as a result of the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby. To the best knowledge of the Company, no other "fair price," "moratorium," "control share acquisition" or other similar anti-takeover statute or regulation (each a "Takeover Statute") as in effect on the date hereof is applicable to the Company, the Company Shares, the Merger or the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement. No antitakeover provision contained in the Company's certificate of incorporation, including Article Ninth thereof, or its by-laws is, or at the Effective Time will be, applicable to the Company, the Company Shares, the Merger or the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Environmental Matters. Except as disclosed in its Reports filed prior to the date hereof and except for such matters that, alone or in the aggregate, are not reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on (i) each of it and its Subsidiaries has complied with all applicable Environmental Laws (as defined below); (ii) the properties currently owned or operated by it or any of its Subsidiaries (including soils, groundwater, surface water, buildings or other structures) are not contaminated with any Hazardous Substances (as defined below); (iii) the properties formerly owned or operated by it or any of its Subsidiaries were not contaminated with Hazardous Substances during the period of ownership or operation by it or any of its Subsidiaries; (iv) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to liability for any Hazardous Substance disposal or contamination on any third party property; (v) neither it nor any Subsidiary has been associated with any release or threat of release of any Hazardous Substance; (vi) neither it nor any Subsidiary has received any notice, demand, letter, claim or request for information alleging that it or any of its Subsidiaries may be in violation of or liable under any Environmental Law (including any claims relating to electromagnetic fields or microwave transmissions); (vii) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to any orders, decrees, injunctions or other arrangements with any Governmental Entity or is subject to any indemnity or other agreement with any third party relating to liability under any Environmental Law or relating to Hazardous Substances; and (viii) there are no circumstances or conditions involving it or any of its Subsidiaries that could reasonably be expected to result in any claims, liability, investigations, costs or restrictions on the ownership, use, or transfer of any of its properties pursuant to any Environmental Law.

As used herein, the term "Environmental Law" means any Law relating to: (A) the protection, investigation or restoration of the environment, health, safety, or natural resources, (B) the handling, use, presence, disposal, release or threatened release of any Hazardous Substance or (C) noise, odor, wetlands, pollution, contamination or any injury or threat of injury to persons or property in connection with any Hazardous Substance.

As used herein, the term "Hazardous Substance" means any substance that is: listed, classified or regulated pursuant to any Environmental Law, including any petroleum product or by-product, asbestos-containing material, lead-containing paint or plumbing, polychlorinated biphenyls, radioactive materials or radon.

- (1) Accounting and Tax Matters. As of the date hereof, neither it nor any of its affiliates (as determined in accordance with Section 6.7) has taken or agreed to take any action, nor do its executive officers have any actual knowledge of any fact or circumstance, that, to their actual knowledge, would prevent SBC from accounting for the business combination to be effected by the Merger as a "pooling-of-interests" or prevent the Merger and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement from qualifying as a "reorganization" within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code.
- Taxes. It and each of its (m) Subsidiaries have prepared in good faith and duly and timely filed (taking into account any extension of time within which to file) all material Tax Returns (as defined below) required to be filed by any of them and all such filed tax returns are complete and accurate in all material respects (i) it and each of its Subsidiaries have paid all Taxes (as defined below) that are shown as due on such filed Tax Returns or that it or any of its Subsidiaries is obligated to withhold from amounts owing to any employee, creditor or third party, except with respect to matters contested in good faith or for such amounts that, alone or in the aggregate, are not reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it; (ii) as of the date hereof, there are not pending or, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers threatened in writing, any audits, examinations, investigations or other proceedings in respect of Taxes or Tax matters; and (iii) there are not, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers, any unresolved questions or claims concerning its or any of its Subsidiaries' Tax liability that are reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it. Neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries has any liability with respect to income, franchise or similar Taxes in excess of the amounts accrued in respect thereof that are reflected in the financial statements included in its Reports, except such excess liabilities as are not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it. No payments to be made to any of the officers and employees of it or its Subsidiaries will as a result of consummation of the Merger be subject to the deduction limitations under Section 280G of the Code.

As used in this Agreement, (i) the term "Tax" (including, with correlative meaning, the terms "Taxes", and "Taxable") includes all federal, state, local and foreign income, profits, franchise, gross receipts, environmental, customs duty, capital stock, severance, stamp, payroll, sales, employment, unemployment, disability, use, property,

withholding, excise, production, value added, occupancy and other taxes, duties or assessments of any nature whatsoever, together with all interest, penalties and additions imposed with respect to such amounts and any interest in respect of such penalties and additions, and (ii) the term "Tax Return" includes all returns and reports (including elections, declarations, disclosures, schedules, estimates and information returns) required to be supplied to a Tax authority relating to Taxes.

- of its Subsidiaries is the subject of any material proceeding asserting that it or any of its Subsidiaries has committed an unfair labor practice or is seeking to compel it to bargain with any labor union or labor organization nor is there pending or, to the actual knowledge of its executive officers, threatened in writing, nor has there been for the past five years, any labor strike, dispute, walkout, work stoppage, slow-down or lockout involving it or any of its Subsidiaries, except in each case as is not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect on it.
- (o) <u>Rights Agreement</u>. (i) The Company has adopted an amendment to the Rights Agreement (the "<u>Rights Amendment</u>") with the effect that neither SBC nor Merger Sub shall be deemed to be an Acquiring Person (as such term is defined in the Rights Agreement) and the Distribution Date (as defined in the Rights Agreement) shall not be deemed to occur and that the Rights will not separate from the Company Shares, as a result of entering into this Agreement or consummating the Merger and/or the other transactions contemplated hereby.
- (ii) The Company has taken all necessary action with respect to all of the outstanding Rights (as defined in the Rights Agreement) so that, as of immediately prior to the Effective Time, as a result of entering into this Agreement or consummating the Merger and/or the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (A) neither the Company nor SBC will have any obligations under the Rights or the Rights Agreement and (B) the holders of the Rights will have no rights under the Rights or the Rights Agreement.
- (p) <u>Brokers and Finders</u>. Neither it nor any of its officers, directors or employees has employed any broker or finder or incurred any liability for any brokerage fees, commissions or finders, fees in connection with the Merger or the other transactions contemplated in this Agreement except that (i) the Company has employed

Goldman, Sachs & Co. as its financial advisor, the arrangements with which have been disclosed to SBC prior to the date hereof, and (ii) SBC and Merger Sub have employed Salomon Brothers Inc and Smith Barney Inc. as their financial advisor, the arrangements with which have been disclosed to the Company prior to the date hereof.

ARTICLE VI

Covenants

- 6.1. <u>Interim Operations</u>. (a) The Company covenants and agrees as to itself and its Subsidiaries that, after the date hereof and prior to the Effective Time (unless SBC shall otherwise approve in writing, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, and except as otherwise expressly contemplated by this Agreement, disclosed in the Company Disclosure Letter or required by applicable Law):
- (i) the business of it and its Subsidiaries shall be conducted in the ordinary and usual course and, to the extent consistent therewith, it and its Subsidiaries shall use all reasonable best efforts to preserve its business organization intact and maintain its existing relations and goodwill with customers, suppliers, regulators, distributors, creditors, lessors, employees and business associates;
- it shall not (A) amend its (ii)certificate of incorporation or by-laws or amend, modify or terminate the Rights Agreement; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the Company from reducing below 20% the beneficial ownership threshold in the definition of an Acquiring Person (as defined in the Rights Agreement) or extending the Final Expiration Date of the Rights Agreement (as defined therein) or adopting a new rights agreement having substantially similar terms as the Rights Agreement and not inconsistent with (x) this proviso, (y) Section 5.1(o) (assuming references therein are to such a new rights agreement) or (z) the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; (B) split, combine, subdivide or reclassify its outstanding shares of capital stock; (C) declare, set aside or pay any dividend or distribution payable in cash, stock or property in respect of any capital stock, other than regular quarterly cash dividends in amounts consistent with its past practice or rights to purchase Company Shares or Company Preference Shares pursuant to any successor agreement to the Rights Agreement, adopted in accordance with the terms of this Agreement; or

- (D) repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or permit any of its Subsidiaries to purchase or otherwise acquire, except in open market transactions in connection with the Company Stock Plans, any shares of its capital stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any shares of its capital stock, but subject to the Company's obligations under subparagraph (iii) below.
- (iii) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries shall knowingly take any action that would prevent the Merger from qualifying for "pooling of interests" accounting treatment or as a "reorganization" within the meaning of Section 368(a) of the Code or that would cause any of its representations and warranties herein to become untrue in any material respect;
- neither it nor any of its (iv) Subsidiaries shall terminate, establish, adopt, enter into, make any new grants or awards of stock-based compensation or other benefits under, amend or otherwise modify, any Company Compensation and Benefit Plans or increase the salary, wage, bonus or other compensation of any directors, officers or key employees except (A) for grants or awards to directors, officers and employees of it or its Subsidiaries under existing Company Compensation and Benefit Plans in such amounts and on such terms as are consistent with past practice, (B) in the normal and usual course of business (which shall include normal periodic performance reviews and related Company Compensation and Benefit Plan increases and the provision of individual Company Compensation and Benefit Plans consistent with past practice for promoted or newly hired officers and employees and the adoption of Company Compensation and Benefit Plans for employees of new Subsidiaries in amounts and on terms consistent with past practice); provided, that in no event shall it institute a broad based change in compensation, unless it shall have used its reasonable best efforts to provide SBC with prior notice of any such change or, if the Company was unable to provide such prior notice, the Company shall provide SBC with notice as soon as practicable following any such change, or (C) for actions necessary to satisfy existing contractual obligations under Company Compensation and Benefit Plans existing as of the date hereof;
- (v) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries shall issue any Company Preferred Shares or Company Preference Shares or incur any indebtedness for borrowed money or guarantee any such indebtedness if it should reasonably anticipate that after such incurrence any of its or any of its Subsidiaries' outstanding senior indebtedness would be rated A or lower by Standard & Poor's;

(vi) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries shall make any capital expenditures in any period of twelve consecutive months following the date hereof in an aggregate amount in excess of 150% of the aggregate amount reflected in the Company's capital expenditure budget for such year, a copy of which has been provided to SBC;

(vii) neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries shall transfer, lease, license, sell, mortgage, pledge, encumber or otherwise dispose of any of its or its Subsidiaries property or assets (including capital stock of any of its Subsidiaries) with a fair market value in excess of \$1 billion in the aggregate in any period of twelve consecutive months following the date hereof except for transfers, leases, licenses, sales, mortgages, pledges, encumbrances, or other dispositions in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;

neither it nor any of its (viii) Subsidiaries shall issue, deliver, sell, or encumber shares of any class of its common stock or any securities convertible into, or any rights, warrants or options to acquire, any such shares except, (A) any such shares issued pursuant to options and other awards outstanding on the date hereof under the Company Stock Plans, awards of options and other awards granted hereafter under the Company Stock Plans in accordance with this Agreement and shares issuable pursuant to such awards, and (B) up to an aggregate amount of \$3.6 billion of such shares, securities, rights, warrants or options (valued at their fair market value as of the date of the agreement to make such acquisition) in any period of twelve consecutive months following the date hereof to fund, in whole or in part, the cost of any acquisition or acquisitions permitted under clause (ix) below following reasonable notice to SBC of its intention to take such action:

Subsidiaries shall spend in excess of \$3.6 billion in the aggregate in any period of twelve consecutive months following the date hereof to acquire any business, whether by merger, consolidation, purchase of property or assets or otherwise (valuing any non-cash consideration at its fair market value as of the date of the agreement for such acquisition); provided, that no such acquisition would prevent, materially delay or materially impair its ability to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither it nor any of its Subsidiaries shall acquire any business the acquisition of which would subject SBC and its Subsidiaries